

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 6, 7, 12-14 and 16-18 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 18 are amended. These claims are amended to correct informalities in accordance with the recommendations in the Office Action, as discussed below. No new matter is added. Claims 5, 9-11 and 15 are canceled without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter recited in those claims. Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Entry of the amendments is proper under 37 CFR §1.116(b)(1) because the amendments: (a) place the application in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed below; (b) do not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or consideration as the amendments amplify issues previously discussed throughout prosecution; (c) satisfy a requirement of form asserted in the previous Office Action; and (d) place the application in better form for appeal, should an appeal be necessary. The amendments are necessary and were not earlier presented because they are made in response to arguments raised in the final rejection. Entry of the amendments is thus respectfully requested.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative by Examiner Louie during the telephone interview held on October 8, 2009. The reasons presented during the telephone interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the following remarks, which constitute Applicant's written record of the interview.

Applicant appreciates the Office Action's indication that claims 1-3, 6, 7 and 12-18 are allowed. Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending claims is in condition for allowance for the reasons presented below.

The Office Action objects to the specification regarding claims 3, 5, 7, 9 and 12. the Office Action recommends canceling the language "independent of the connection server

machine" from the claims. The above amendments cancel that expression from the claims in accordance with the Office Action's recommendation. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the specification is respectfully requested.

The Office Action objects to claims 1, 5, 7, 9, 12 and 18 regarding the phrase "the message not containing the address." The Office Action recommends amending that claim language to recite "the message lacking the address." The above amendments amend the claims to recite "the message lacking the address," in accordance with the Office Action's recommendation. Applicant notes that claim 7 did not previously include the "message not containing the address" language. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the claims is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 9 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite. The cancellation of claims 9 and 11 obviates the §112 rejection.

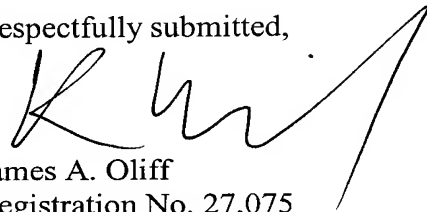
The Office Action rejects claims 5 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 6,463,474 to Fuh. The cancellation of claims 5 and 10 obviates the §103(a) rejection.

During the October 8, 2009 telephone interview, Examiner Louie indicated that the above claim amendments, which address the claim and specification objections, would be entered without the submission of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). This Amendment After Final Rejection is being filed without an RCE in accordance with the Examiner's indication during the telephone interview.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-3, 6, 7, 12-14 and 16-18 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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